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NEGOTIATIONS

PRESS REPORTS ON MAY 23 AND 24 CONTINUED TO LINK PLANS FOR
REPORTED CARTER/EANES MEETING NEXT WEEK WITH LAJES BASE
NEGOTIATIONS. BRIEF ARTICLE USED IN SEVERAL PAPERS, FILED BY
STATE NEWS AGENCY ANOP, WAS : "THE FORTHCOMING SIGNING OF A
LUSO-AMERICAN AGREEMENT ON THE LAJES AIR BASE ON TERCEIRA ISLAND
MAY BE ONE OF THE POINTS OF FOCUS BY PRESIDENTS EANES AND CARTER
WHEN THEY MEET IN WASHINGTON AT THE END OF THIS MONTH, ACCORDING
TO RELIABLE SOURCES IN THE AZORES. THE MEETING WILL TAKE PLACE
WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF NATO... AND TERCEIRA ISLAND IS IN
PARTICULAR OF STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE TO THE ATLANTIC ALLIANCE.
US PRESENCE ON LAJES DATES FROM THE END OF WORLD WAR TWO. IT
IS NOW EXPECTED THAT THE NEW AGREEMENT COULD BE SIGNED DURING
JULY. IT WILL PROVIDE FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO THE PORTUGUESE
ARMED FORCES AND FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE AZORES."

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INSIDE PAGE HEADLINE IN MAY 23 CENTRIST "A CAPITAL" WAS "EANES
AND CARTER WILL DISCUSS STRATEGIC IMPORTANCE OF LAJES".
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